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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) Amendment in 6 pages.
- (X) Terminal Disclaimer in 2 pages along with Copies of Assignment and Power of Attorney.
- (X) 1 page of Abstract replacement sheet.
- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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Terminal Disclaimer						2814 (\$65)		\$65
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IMPLANTABLE VASCULAR GRAFT

Abstract of the Disclosure

Disclosed is a tubular endoluminal vascular prosthesis, useful in treating, for example, an abdominal aortic aneurysm. The prosthesis includes a self-expandable wire support structure having a tubular main body support and first and second branch supports. The support structure may include sliding links to permit flexibility while maintaining patency of the central lumen. The branch supports may articulate with the main body to permit the branches to pivot laterally from the axis of the main body throughout a substantial range of motion. Exoskeleton components or barbs may be provided to resist migration and endoleaks.